

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. P-739
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ORDER ASSIGNING TO PRESIDING OFFICER

(Issued August 1, 2001)

On May 24, 1999, MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican) filed a petition requesting that the Utilities Board (Board) issue a renewal of its existing pipeline Permit No. 867. The permit allows MidAmerican to provide natural gas service over a 0.75 mile pipeline to the John Deere Plant in Davenport, Iowa.

Iowa Code §§ 479.7 and 479.23 (2001) require the Board to set a hearing in a pipeline proceeding upon the filing of a petition. Therefore, the Board will assign this proceeding, identified as Docket No. P-739, to a presiding officer to establish a procedural schedule and set a hearing date.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Docket No. P-739 is assigned to a presiding officer pursuant to 199 IAC 7.1(4).

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper _____
Acting Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 1st day of August, 2001.